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Access project documents through the DECinfo Locator https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C231151/ and at these location(s):

Manhattan Public Library: Inwood Branch

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For more information about New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program, visit: www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html

FACT SHEET

Brownfield Cleanup Program

401 West 207th Street Redevelopment 401 W. 207th Street New York, NY 10034

October 2022

SITE No. C231151 NYSDEC REGION 2

Remedy Proposed for Brownfield Site Contamination; Public Comment Period Announced

The public is invited to comment on a proposed remedy being reviewed by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), in consultation with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), to address contamination related to the 401 W 207th Redevelopment Site ("Site") located at 401 W 207th Street, Manhattan, NY. Please see the map for the site location.

Based on the findings of the investigation, NYSDEC in consultation with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) has determined that the Site does not pose a significant threat to public health or the environment.

How to Comment: NYSDEC is accepting written comments about the proposed plan, called a "Draft Remedial Action Work Plan (RAWP)" for 45 days, from **October 27**, **2022 through December 11**, **2022**.

- Access the RAWP and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator: https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C231151/
- Documents also are available at the location(s) identified at left under "Where to Find Information."
- Please submit comments to the NYSDEC project manager listed under Project-Related Questions in the "Who to Contact" area at left.

Draft Remedial Work Plan: The proposed unrestricted use remedy consists of:

- Installation of support of excavation (SOE) to facilitate contaminated soil removal:
- Excavation and off-site disposal of contaminated soil to depths ranging from 15 feet below grade surface (ft bgs) to 26 ft bgs across the site;
- Excavation of a petroleum hotspot to approximately 20 ft bgs in center of the site:
- Removal of any remaining Underground Storage Tanks (USTs), if encountered;
- Dewatering and treatment of groundwater to facilitate excavation, with discharge to NYC sewer under appropriate permit(s);
- Collection and analysis of endpoint soil samples to evaluate the effectiveness of the remedy;
- Backfilling of excavated areas, as necessary for development, with approved material:
- Implementation of a Health and Safety Plan (HASP) and Community Air Monitoring Plan (CAMP) during all ground intrusive activities;
- Completion of a Soil Vapor Intrusion (SVI) evaluation in accordance with DER-10 and NYSDOH Final Guidance on SVI;

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- If an Unrestricted Use cleanup is not achieved, implementation of a Site Management Plan (SMP) would also be required for maintenance of the remedial systems; and
- If an Unrestricted Use cleanup is not achieved, recording of an Environmental Easement to ensure proper future use of the site.

The proposed remedy was developed by 401 W 207th Realty LLC (the "applicant") after performing a detailed investigation of the site under New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP). A "Remedial Investigation Report", which describes the results of the site investigation was submitted prior to the RAWP and is also available for review at the locations identified on Page 1.

Next Steps: NYSDEC will consider public comments, revise the cleanup plan as necessary, and issue a final Decision Document. NYSDOH must concur with the proposed remedy. After approval, the proposed remedy becomes the selected remedy. The applicant may then design and perform the cleanup action to address the site contamination, with oversight by NYSDEC and NYSDOH.

NYSDEC will keep the public informed throughout the investigation and cleanup of the site.

Site Description: The 0.63-acre site is bounded to the north by New York City Transit (NYCT) subway tracks, to the east by Ninth Avenue followed by a parking garage/lot, to the south by West 207th Street followed by a commercial building, and to the west by railroad tracks and a transportation building. It is currently a vacant lot. The site has been used since as early as the mid-1930s for auto garage and filling station. The site has been vacant since retail petroleum operations ceased in late 2021. The planned

redevelopment for the site is a 17-story mixed-use (residential and commercial) building that will encompass the entire site footprint.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the Site ID, C231151) at:

https://www.dec.ny.gov/cfmx/extapps/derexternal/index.cfm?pageid=3

Summary of the Investigation: The primary contaminants of concern at the site are petroleum VOCs, SVOCs and metals in soil and groundwater, and VOCs in soil vapor. Potential sources of contamination have been identified and include both historical retail petroleum operations at the site and presence of historical fill material.

Brownfield Cleanup Program: New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP) encourages the voluntary cleanup of contaminated properties known as "brownfields" so that they can be reused and redeveloped. These uses may include recreation, housing, business or other uses. A brownfield site is any real property where a contaminant is present at levels exceeding the soil cleanup objectives or other health-based or environmental standards, criteria or guidance adopted by NYSDEC that are applicable based on the reasonably anticipated use of the property, in accordance with applicable regulations.

For more information about the BCP, visit: https://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html

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DECinfo Locator

Interactive map to access DEC documents and public data about the environmental quality of specific sites: https://www.dec.ny.gov/pubs/109457.html

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Site Location



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